

THE REVISED SCHOOL CODE (EXCERPT)
Act 451 of 1976

380.1531i Interim teaching certificate.

Sec. 1531i. (1) The superintendent of public instruction shall establish a process for a person to earn an interim teaching certificate under this section that qualifies the person to teach in the public schools and to earn a Michigan teaching certificate using the process under this section. The process shall meet all applicable requirements for an alternative teaching certification process under the no child left behind act of 2001, Public Law 107-110. The process shall not allow for an interim teaching certificate for special education.

(2) The process established under subsection (1) shall provide that the superintendent of public instruction will grant an interim teaching certificate to a person who meets all of the following:

(a) Is a participant in an alternative teaching program that is approved by the superintendent of public instruction. To be approved, a program provider shall demonstrate to the satisfaction of the superintendent of public instruction that it meets all of the following:

(i) Provides for its participants an intensive training program in teaching that is determined by the superintendent of public instruction to constitute the equivalent of at least 12 college credit hours and that includes training in at least all of the following subject areas:

(A) Child development or child psychology.

(B) Family and community relationships.

(C) Diverse learners.

(D) Instructional strategies.

(E) A form of field-based experience in a classroom setting.

(ii) Has a proven record of producing successful teachers in 1 or more other states or is modeled after a program that has a proven record of producing successful teachers in 1 or more other states.

(iii) Accepts for participation only persons who meet the requirements of subdivision (b).

(b) Holds a bachelor's, master's, doctorate, or professional degree from a regionally accredited college or university with a grade point average of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale or the equivalent on another scale, as determined by the superintendent of public instruction.

(c) Passes both the basic skills examination and the appropriate available subject area examination for each subject area in which he or she applies to be certified.

(3) A person earning a provisional certificate under this section will be subject to provisions of administrative rules governing teachers, as established by the superintendent of public instruction.

(4) A person who possesses an interim teaching certificate under this section may be employed to teach in a public school in the same manner as a person holding a Michigan teaching certificate issued under section 1531 if all of the following requirements are met:

(a) While the person is teaching under an interim teaching certificate, the school district or public school academy in which the person is teaching provides intensive observation and coaching in a manner and to the extent prescribed by the superintendent of public instruction.

(b) The person is making satisfactory progress toward meeting the requirements for being awarded a Michigan teaching certificate under section 1531, as established by the superintendent of public instruction under subsection (5).

(5) The superintendent of public instruction shall develop standards for granting a person a Michigan teaching certificate issued under section 1531 after the person has demonstrated satisfactory teaching performance for 3 years under an interim teaching certificate and has met the requirements established by the superintendent of public instruction for a Michigan teaching certificate.

(6) The superintendent of public instruction shall promulgate rules that he or she considers necessary to implement this section.

(7) As used in this section, "basic skills examination", "elementary certification examination", and "subject area examination" mean those terms as defined in section 1531.

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